

# CSWC Operational Period Summary

## 0600 December 31 2014 to 1800 December 31 2014



Downed lines in Auburn, Placer County on 12/30/14.

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Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)



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# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **SR 74 Incident, Riverside and Orange Counties**

At 2200 hours on 12/30/14, SR 74 between Elsinore, Riverside County and Orange County was closed due to heavy snow. The snow level fell to 1,100 feet and stranded approximately 50 vehicles. An evacuation center was opened, but was not utilized. No medicals were reported. Caltrans cleared the road for emergency vehicle access and will reopen the roadway sometime tomorrow, 01/01/15.

## **City of Avalon High Wind Event, Los Angeles County**

- On 12/31/14 at about 0130 hours the City of Avalon went through a high wind and tide event. Avalon reported significant damage to the Avalon Harbor to the Los Angeles County OES. The City of Avalon continues to assess the damage and impacts and is in contact with the Los Angeles County OES to provide updates and information on any impacts to the island as well as information on casualties and injuries if any. Thus far approximately 25 boats were reported to be torn from their moorings and fuel spills and debris has been reported in the water. The local Avalon Fire Department is not requesting any additional resources. The incident has not brought any media attention.
- Per SDO and Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, two deaths have occurred, one of which was a Harbor Patrol Officer, due to high winds which broke boats loose from moorings at Santa Catalina Island.
- Los Angeles County OES has requested their Disaster Mutual Aid Coordination (DMACs) to canvas their cities and to determine the extent of the damage.
- The US Coast Guard conducted an aerial recon at 0700 hours on 12/31/14 and additional damage on the island may surface. Infrastructure from the storm surge appears light so far, though may be revised as assessments continue. Local beaches are closed due to debris flow.
- The SDO and incoming SDO will continue to monitor.

## **Rose Bowl Fanfest Dust Devil, Pasadena, Los Angeles County**

The Pasadena Fire Department reported that a dust devil at the Rose Bowl Fanfest caused injury to four persons. Three people were treated on scene for minor injuries. One person self transported to the hospital. Tents and booths were upended, destroyed and swept away. The vendor shut the event down early to re secure the area for tomorrow. The Cal OES Duty Officers monitored the situation.

## **Rose Bowl Parade, Los Angeles County**

The Rose Bowl Parade is scheduled for 01/01/15 at 0800 hours in Pasadena. The City of Los Angeles is on City Watch and will monitor,

## **Grand Park-New Year's Eve Event, Los Angeles County**

The City of Los Angeles will be on City Watch for the Grand Park- New Year's Event that is scheduled for 12/31/14 at 1900 hours at Grand Park, 210 North Grand Avenue in downtown Los Angeles.

## **New Year's Eve, San Francisco**

San Francisco DEM's EOC will be activated at Level B (partial with first responder elements) today for the 2015 New Year's Eve Celebration. The EOC activation starts at 2100 hours and is estimated to conclude 01/01/15 at 0400 hours.



# SITUATION SUMMARY

## Regional Cold Weather Activities

### **Cal OES Inland Region**

The Cal OES Law Duty Officer confirms that there have been two deaths in Butte County as a result of falling trees in the wind event.

Various media outlets have reported that high winds caused a tree to fall on a house killing the occupant in Redding, Shasta County. Cal OES Law Division has not confirmed this information.

- OA Activations
  - Butte County: Is at Level 1 EOC activation, providing public information and if needed, evacuation center support.
- Evacuation Centers
  - Butte County
    - The Red Cross coordinated an evacuation center at the Paradise Ridge Senior Center, 877 Nunnelly Rd., Paradise.
- Evacuation Shelters
  - Butte County
    - At 1800 hours on 12/30/14, a shelter opened at the Paradise Alliance Church, 6491 Clark Road, Paradise, Butte County.
- Warming Centers
  - Several centers have been opened as needed.
- Road Closures
  - Several road closures have been reported due to downed trees and power lines.
- Recovery
  - IDE teams will deploy today, with reports of 27 damaged homes/structures.

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## Regional Cold Weather Activities

### **Cal OES Coastal Region**

The Coastal Region staff surveyed their counties regarding any cold weather planning activities, activations, and opening warming centers or shelters.

- OA Activations
  - None reported.
- Shelters
  - Napa County
    - The Hope Center: The Hope Center provides basic services to homeless individuals. It also serves as an entrance point for all three homeless shelters.
    - Samaritan Family Shelter: The Samaritan Family Center provides temporary shelter for families with children. Persons needing help must register at the Hope Center.
    - South Napa Shelter: The South Napa Shelter is a clean and sober shelter for individuals 18 years and older. Persons needing help must register at the Hope Center.
    - Winter Shelter: The Winter Shelter is open from mid-November through mid-April. Individuals seeking shelter must register at the Hope Center.
  - San Mateo
    - The San Mateo County Human Services Agency activated their emergency shelter beds and voucher program yesterday.
  - Santa Cruz
    - The City of Santa Cruz has the Armory open to shelter citizens from the cold.
  - San Benito
    - The City of Hollister maintains a homeless shelter at, 3239 Southside Rd. This shelter remains open from November through March. Citizens may also contact 2-1-1 within all counties to request assistance.
  - Sonoma
    - The OA has extended their “Code Blue” Cold Weather Response advisory through Saturday, 01/03/15. The advisory requests that all homeless service agencies expand beds and open warming facilities, consistent with the Homeless Winter Weather Response Plan. The latest information on shelters and donations needs can be obtained through 2-1-1 and the Catholic Charities’ Cold Weather Hotline at (707)800-2927.

# SITUATION SUMMARY

## Regional Cold Weather Activities

### Cal OES Coastal Region

- Shelters
  - Humboldt
    - Redwood Coast Community Action Agency, 24-hour Youth Services for Runaways/Homeless children, Eureka.
    - Women and Children Shelter, Winter-night house, open seven Days a week, Eureka.
    - Eureka Rescue Mission for Men only (55 men), open seven days a week starting at 1730 hours, Eureka.
    - If they run out of room at the Eureka Rescue Mission, they will open St. Vincent De Paul's Center, Eureka.
    - Arcata House Partnership Annex, a night shelter, will have screenings in the mornings with check in at 1530 hours. The Arcata Night Shelter is a 20 bed emergency shelter facility for single adults. There are separate dorms designated for women and for men. The shelter is in operation 365 days a year. Their DHHS stated that citizens/including homeless individuals may call 2-1-1 for services.
    - There is a Winter Shelter Program available on a first come, first service that opens daily at 0900 hours to accept families and elderly.
  - Mendocino
    - Ukiah Valley Conference Center, open from 0800 – 1700 hours, Ukiah.
    - There is also a Shelter in Fort Bragg.
  - Solano
    - There are various shelter options available in Solano County. Information can be accessed at: <http://www.shelterlistings.org/county/ca-solano-county.html>
- Warming Centers
  - Contra Costa County: Trinity Center activated an emergency response.
  - San Mateo County: Intends to open warming centers.
  - Santa Clara County: Through Sunday, the Boccardo Reception Center will remain open 24 hours for homeless seeking relief from the cold. Santa Clara County's largest cold weather shelter in Gilroy is also extending its hours, allowing homeless to stay from 1800 until 0800 hours.
  - Monterey
    - The City of Salinas has established a Warming Center at Lincoln St. OES at the county level is not involved in this process. If people living outside need shelter from the cold, they call 9-1-1 dispatch, who then contacts County Social Services (CSS) to assist. CSS will then provide a voucher to homeless people (if count is low) who need shelter from the cold. For higher counts, the homeless are sent to the Victory Mission. Essentially, no person is left out in the cold.



# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **Regional Cold Weather Activities**

### **Cal OES Coastal Region**

- Utilities
  - At approximately 0100 hours, a partial power outage occurred at Treasure Island. Utility crews anticipated restoring power by 0800 hours.
  - Telegraph Hill and the Russian Hill areas are currently experiencing a large power outage due to weather this morning. It is estimated power will be restored by 0900 hours today.

### **Cal OES Southern Region**

- OA Activations
  - No OAs anticipate activating EOCs for the projected storm this week.
- Evacuations
  - Riverside County
    - San Jacinto / Hemet Valley: Mandatory evacuations, effective at 0900 hours on 12/30/14 have been ordered for residents at the ten unit Valley View Apartment complex at 20520 Highway 79 due to the threatening storm on 12/30-12/31 2014. The owner of the property was able to accommodate the renters. There were no requests for state assistance.
- Warming Centers
  - Santa Barbara County: Intends to open warming centers.

### **Statewide Utilities**

No major outages reported, all utilities are returning to normal operations presently, with PG&E scheduled to return at midnight tonight.

# SITUATION SUMMARY

## Weather of Concern

- Freezing temperatures are expected across Northern California for New Year's Eve into New Year's Day. Protect cold sensitive plants and provide shelter for pets/livestock or bring indoors to protect from the freezing temperatures. If outside tonight into the start of 2015 tomorrow morning wear warm layers of clothing.
- **Freeze Watch:** Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego Counties.
- **Freeze Warning:** Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, San Benito, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Sonoma, Shasta, Tehama, Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Nevada, Sutter, Yuba, Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Solano, Yolo, San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Colusa, Lake, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Ventura, Imperial Counties.
- **Hard Freeze Watch:** San Bernardino County.
- **Hard Freeze Warning:** Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Ventura, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, and Tulare Counties.
- **Expanded real time watch and warning information, organized by county, is accessible through the below link.**
- **Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:** [http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www\\_bc\\_cal.php](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php)

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought



# Key Points

01/01 – 01/08

## Thursday

- Very cold temperatures for all of CA with frost and freeze warnings and advisories in effect.

## Friday-Wednesday

- Temperatures will begin to moderate slightly.
- Drier and warmer weather expected by the weekend.
- No significant hazards expected at this time.





# California OES Impact Threat Matrix

Jan 01, 2015 – Jan 08, 2015

DAY/THREAT	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
Fire Weather							
Winds							
Extreme Cold	All of CA	All of CA					
Snow							
Heavy Rain/ Flash Flooding							
River Flooding							
Severe Weather							

	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat
	No Discernible Threat



# Day 1 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Thu – 0800 Fri



- ***Very cold temperatures expected statewide***
  - *Many frost/freeze warnings and advisories in effect*

	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat



# Day 2-3 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Fri – 0800 Sun



- *Temperatures will start to moderate Friday and warm slightly into the weekend.*



	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat

# WEATHER

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

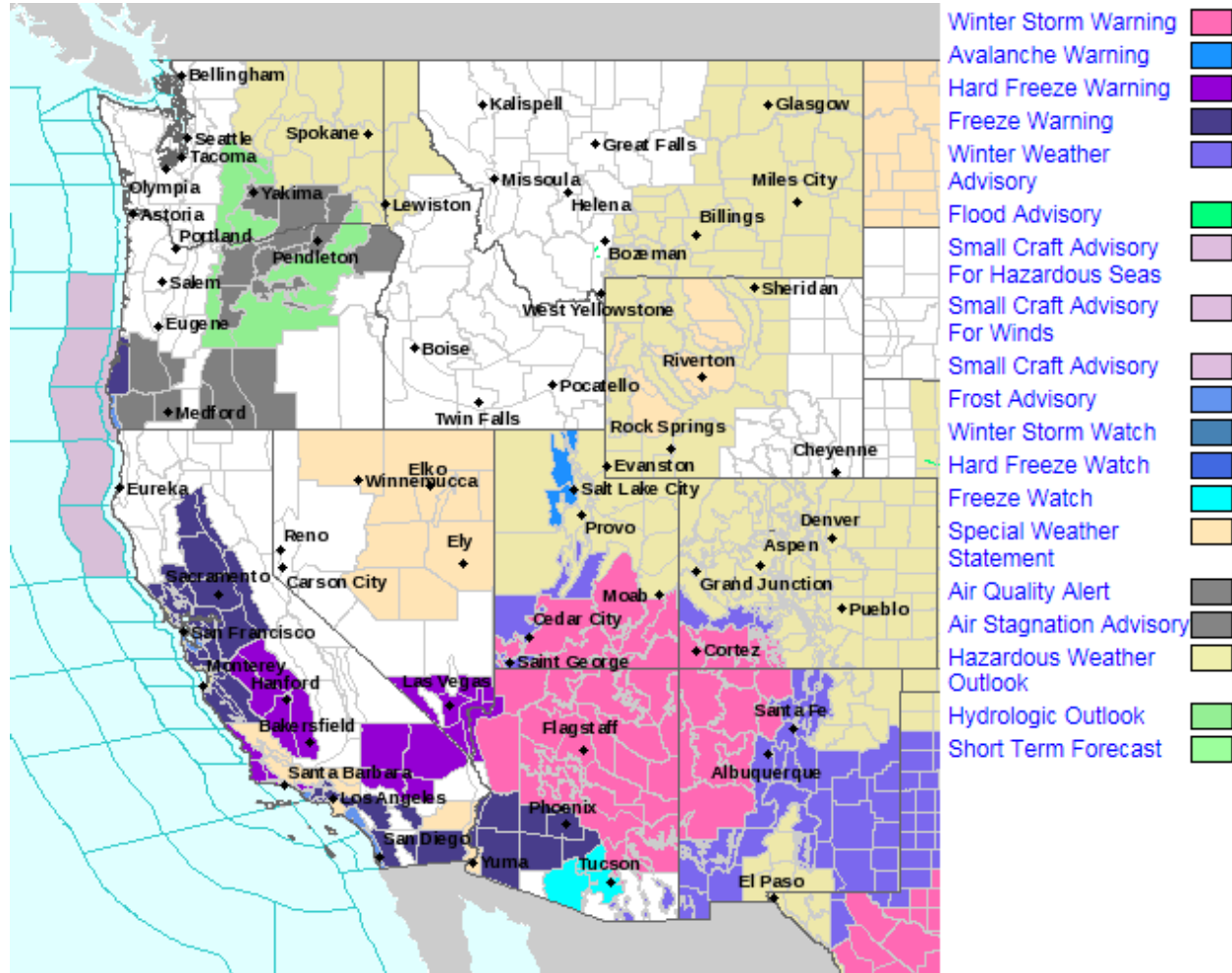
A cold low pressure system is moving through the Desert Southwest while a strong high pressure ridge remains in the Eastern Pacific. This pattern will continue to produce dry northeast-east/offshore winds throughout Northern California through early New Year's Day. Peak gusts can still reach 40 mph or so in wind prone areas. The high will slowly move east, finally passing over the Northern California on Tuesday. From New Year's Day through Tuesday there will be a gradual warming trend with occasional light northeast/offshore winds. As low pressure systems occasionally move through the Pacific Northwest some mid and high clouds may spread into the far northern end of Northern California during the next week. Computer models are showing the possibility of a rain producing system moving onshore during the mid to late part of next week.

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Strong surface high pressure over the Pacific Northwest will bring north to northeast winds of 20 to 30 mph with gusts to 50 mph to the mountains and below the canyons and passes of Southern California through this afternoon. Scattered showers with a snow level of around 2,000 feet will continue across San Diego County this morning as an area of low pressure moves east to the Colorado River, otherwise it will be dry today. Temperatures will be 10 to 20 degrees below normal today, with mid 20s to mid 30s in the mountains and mid 40s to mid 50s in the valleys. Temperatures will rise gradually Thursday and Friday, but remain below normal as the low pressure area continues to move slowly eastward. A strong ridge of high pressure will build into California from the Pacific Ocean Saturday through early next week which will bring significant warming to the region. The valley locations of Southern California will approach 80 degrees by early next week. Minimum humidity will be in the single digits and teens away from the Central Valley and the coast Thursday through early next week. Winds will be light offshore Thursday through early next week.



# STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Dec, 31st 2014 at 6:40:12 pm MST



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# **FIRE ACTIVITY**



## **Preparedness Levels**

### **National Preparedness Level 1**

#### **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

#### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

### **Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

### **Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

### **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

### **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>



# **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

## **Boles Incident Vegetation Fire- City of Weed, Siskiyou County**

### **Recovery Activities**

#### **Public Assistance**

- On 10/06/14, the Governor issued Executive Order (EO) B-27-14, which provides CDAA, and debris removal assistance, including the suspension of rules and regulations impacting debris removal. The EO also provides the ability for nonprofit organizations to seek reimbursement for extraordinary activities through the State Private Nonprofit Organizations Assistance Program. As of 12/05/14, all debris removal operations are complete.
- On 10/28/14, the City of Weed reestablished water pressure to its downtown area; however, the water storage capacity for fire suppression is still lacking. The City expects water storage to be restored by 12/31/14, or sooner if the weather permits.

#### **Individual Assistance**

- On 10/01/14, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) approved a disaster declaration making SBA assistance available in the primary County of Siskiyou and the contiguous counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Modoc, Shasta, and Trinity, making low-interest federal disaster loans available to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private nonprofit organizations whose property was damaged or destroyed by the Boles Fire. The application deadline for property damage was 12/01/14. The deadline to return economic injury applications is 07/01/15.
- The Cal OES VAL continues to coordinate and participate in Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG) meetings with NGO, Faith Based, and local agencies. Shasta Community Foundation was identified as a fiscal agent for the group. Individuals needing assistance should be directed to the Family & Community Resource Center of Weed located at 260 Main Street, Weed. Funding organizations will assist with unmet needs through the case management process. The VAL continues to work with the Weed LTRG in identifying resources and gaps in services.
- The College of the Siskiyou's website contains a Fire Resource List of various local agencies offering goods and services. The document can be found at <http://www.siskiyous.edu/humanresources/documents/fireresourcelist.pdf>. Additional information on recovery efforts can be found at <https://weed.recovers.org/>.

# **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

## **Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County**

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interest physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

## **Recovery Activities**

### Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 10 have withdrawn for a total of 53 RPAs submitted to FEMA.
- Kickoff Meeting: 53 Kickoff Meetings have been completed of which 3 applicants have withdrawn; one kickoff meeting is scheduled for the first week of January leaving 2 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/7/2015.
- PW: 215 PWs are anticipated to be written as a result of the Napa Earthquake. Currently, 75 PWs are drafted, 48 PWs have been entered into the federal database system, 45 of which have been obligated.

### Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa County regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The Napa Earthquake Recovery Group, aka, eNERGy will be holding a general meeting on December 18, 2014.
- Cal OES IA Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) continues NGO coordination in Solano County. The Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG), a long term recovery group, has formed and has established by-laws and elected an Executive Board. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) will provide case management training to local organizations in Napa and Solano counties.
- The registration deadline for individuals and businesses to request FEMA and SBA assistance closed on Monday, 12/29/14.
- Assistance Centers – The SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) in Vallejo closed at the end of the business day on Tuesday, 12/23/14. The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff as well as reduced FEMA staffing. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed 01/01/15).

# **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

## **2014 Statewide December Winter Storms**

On 12/22/14, Governor Brown declared a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. At this time, Cal OES Regions and Recovery continue to work closely with all impacted operational areas to assess the impacts, losses, and costs of the December Winter Storm.

### **Recovery Activities**

#### Public Assistance

- IDE field validations have been completed in Tehama and San Mateo Counties.
- IDE field validations are being performed in Sonoma County.
- IDE field validations are scheduled as follows:
  - Marin County 01/06/15
  - Lake County 01/06/15

#### Individual Assistance

- On behalf of the Governor, the Cal OES Director requested SBA to declare San Mateo County a disaster area.
- A Local Assistance Center (LAC) will be established for residents and business owners to apply for assistance at the South San Francisco Parking Structure located at 329 Miller Avenue, SSF. If SBA declares, it will operate a Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) at the LAC location and will continue as needed. LAC hours of operation are Monday, 01/05/15, and Tuesday, 01/06/15, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- On 12/29/14, a joint damage assessment was conducted by SBA, Cal OES, and the County Tehama as a result of the December Winter Storms. As a result of the assessment, a letter requesting SBA to declare Tehama County a disaster area was prepared.

# CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

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- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.



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